

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)		
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Implementation of Section 304 of the))	CS Docket No. 97-80
Telecommunications Act of 1996)		
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Commercial Availability of Navigation)		
Devices)		
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Compatibility Between Cable Systems and)		PP Docket No. 00-67
Consumer Electronics Equipment			

**REPLY COMMENTS OF IT COMPANIES
ON THIRD FURTHER NOTICE
OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING**

Intel Corporation and Dell Inc. (“IT Companies”) submit these reply comments in response to certain comments made to the Commission’s Third Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making (“FNPRM”).

In its first round comments, Intel presented the idea that the current set top requirement to support IEEE 1394 be replaced with an IP interface protected with DTCP IP. The Digital Living Network Alliance Proponents also expressed strong support for the idea that Cable provisioned set top boxes support a DLNA interface. The IT Companies believe that these two very compatible steps would advance home networking and enhance the value of both Cable provisioned set top boxes and a wide range of retail devices, including but not limited to retail navigation devices. We strongly encourage the Commission to advance IP based home networking, and endorse both the Intel proposal and the Digital Living Network Alliance Proponents

proposal regarding a DLNA interface. We strongly encourage the Commission to take this important step in advancing home networking. We believe that this step, in and of itself, will stimulate the demand for digital content in the home, stimulate innovation in exciting new networked devices, bring exciting and compelling new consumer experiences, and play an important role in driving the digital transition.

Respectfully submitted,

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